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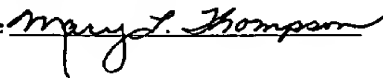
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RESPONSE

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office action of October 2, 2003, with a period for response to
expire after January 2, 2004, please amend the above-identified application as follows.

No amendments are made herein. Therefore, no listing of the claims
accompanies this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 2 of this paper.